

**Subject:** Re: Little Tokyo ATP grant approval by City Council

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Hi Yukio,

The City requested the ATP funding time extension from Caltrans, which was adopted by the California Transportation Commission (CTC) on 6/28/17. The extension was needed for Caltrans to review the additional studies they requested from the City to clear the NEPA environmental process. The new ATP deadline requires the City to award the construction contract by 12/31/17 for the Little Tokyo project.

Thanks,  
-George

On Fri, Jun 30, 2017 at 11:27 PM, Yukio & Lilian Kawaratani <[yklk@att.net](mailto:yklk@att.net)> wrote:

Joanne

Wow, you shocked me when you told me at the Sustainable Little Tokyo meeting that we almost lost the Little Tokyo ATP grant. You said that Wednesday was the deadline for the City Council to approve the extension of the ATP grant or it would have been gone! Thank you so much to you or whoever caught it and got City Council approval in the nick of time. It must have been Huizar's office. I've been working on the street trees portion of the ATP grant for around 2 years now, but I have never been part of the administration of the ATP grant. I had assumed it was all being handled by the City. My only contact has been through George, Thuy and now Adrian. I was told in May last year that a one year extension was approved, so everything stopped. Then this year, I got involved again. I have been working extensively on the street trees, but I have been clueless on administrative matters regarding the ATP grant.

Yukio